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Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of)	
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Amendment of Section 73.202(b)) MB Doc	ket No
Γable of Allotments)	
FM Broadcast Stations) RM No.	
(Opelika, Alabama))	

To: John Karousos, Assistant Division Chief Audio Division, Media Bureau

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

Opelika Broadcasting Company ("Petitioner"), by its counsel, hereby requests an amendment to the FM Table of Allotments by adding Channel 232A at Opelika, Alabama, as its fourth local service. If the Petition is granted, Petitioner will file an application to construct a new facility on Channel 232A at Opelika. In support hereof, Petitioner states as follows:

- 1. As demonstrated in the attached Allocation Study, Channel 232A can be allotted to Opelika at coordinates 32-42-31 NL and 85-26-16 WL consistent with Section 73.207 of the Commission's Rules. The attached contour map shows that a 70 dBu signal can be placed over the community of Opelika from the proposed reference point. The proposed allotment will provide third full-time local service to Opelika.²
- 2. To accommodate the allotment of Channel 232A at Opelika, Station WDJC-FM, Birmingham, Alabama, must be reclassified from 229C to Channel 229C0 and Station WSTR-

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² WTLM(AM) is a daytime-only facility.

AM Stations WTLM and WANI and FM Station WMXA are licensed to Opelika.

FM, Smyrna, Georgia must be reclassified from Channel 231C to Channel 231C0.³ Both licensees will be served with a copy of this Petition.

3. Opelika satisfies the Commission's definition of community for allotment purposes. Opelika is a community listed in the 2000 U.S. Census as having a population of 23,498. Opelika has its own post office and zip code (36801). Many businesses and churches are located in Opelika.

4. Should the Commission grant this Petition and allot Channel 232A to Opelika, Alabama, Petitioner will file an application for the new allotment, and construct the facility as authorized.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests that Channel 232A be allotted to Opelika, Alabama so that the residents of Opelika can receive an additional full-time local aural service.

Respectfully submitted,

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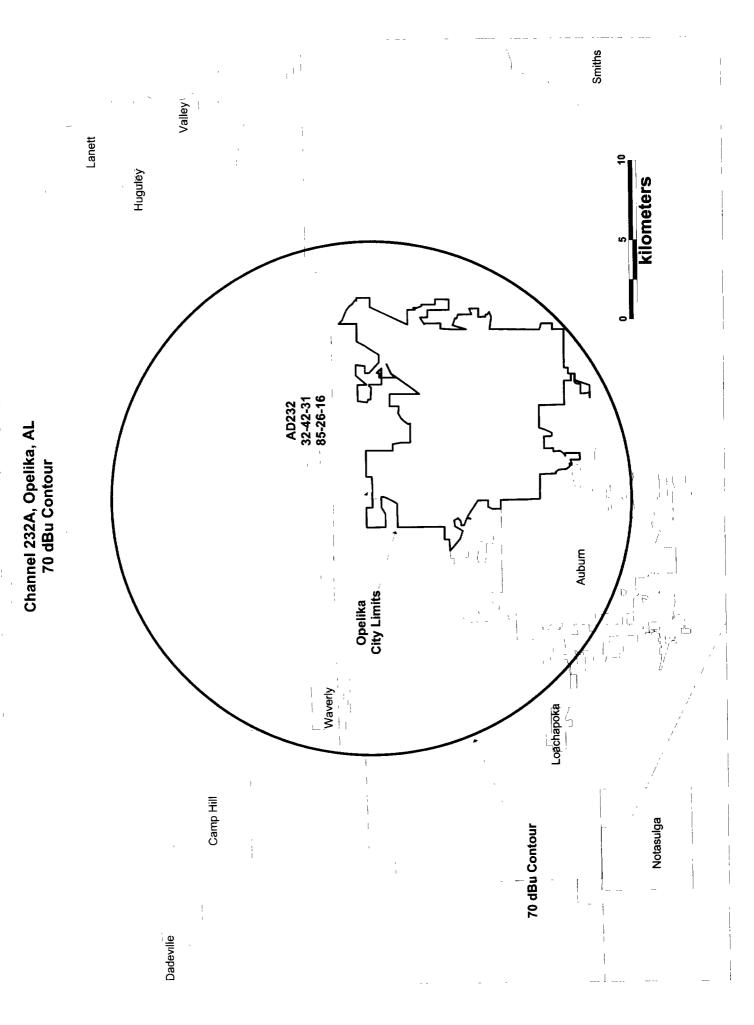
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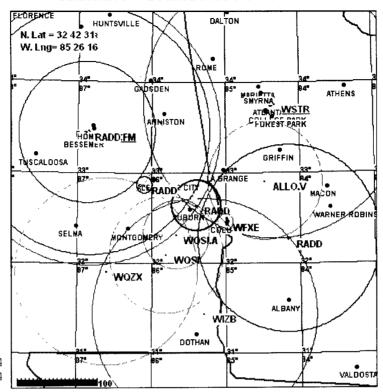
Its Counsel

March 5, 2004

³ Petitioner asserts that there is no other channel available for allotment to Opelika at the coordinates specified herein. Also, there are no alternative channels available that would allow the "triggered" stations to maintain their Class C status.



SEARCHFM^(TM) LOCATE STUDY CH 232 A 94.3 MHz



Dates:

Data: 02-14-04 Job: 02-23-04

Call	Char	nnel	Location		Dist	Azi	FCC	Margin	
RADD	ADD	230A	Opelika	AL	8.34	153.0	31.0	-22.66	*
WSTR	LIC	231C	Smyrna	GA	155.40	41.0	165.0	-9.60	**
WYSF	LIC-N	233C	Birmingham	AL	156.10	302.9	165.0	-8.90	***
RDEL	DEL	233C	Birmingham	AL	156.10	302.9	165.0	-8.90	***
WIZB	LIC-Z	232C3	Abbeville	AL	141.52	174.3	142.0	-0.48	
RADD	ADD	231C0	Smyrna	GA	155.40	41.0	152.0	3.40	**
RADD	ADD	233C0	Birmingham	$_{ m AL}$	156.10	302.9	152.0	4.10	***
WOSI	LIC	231A	Union Springs	\mathtt{AL}	76.18	206.9	72.0	4.18	
WOSI.A	APP	230C3	Union Springs	\mathtt{AL}	48.57	206.8	42.0	6.57	
RADD	ADD	232A	Ellaville	GA	129.72	111.7	115.0	14.72	
ALLO	VAC	233A	Woodbury	GA	93.07	75.7	72.0	21.07	
WOZX	LIC	232A	Greenville	AL	141.10	231.4	115.0	26.10	
WFXE	LIC	285A	Columbus	GA	48.83	124.3	10.0	38.83	

- * Previously dismissed
 ** C0 trigger required
- *** Facility has been triggered to CO

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Scott C. Cinnamon, do certify that I have on this 5th day of March, 2004, caused to be mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, copies of the foregoing "Petition for Rule Making" to the following:

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